

Respect Wildness... Practice the 7 principles of Leave No Trace skills and ethics

- o **Plan ahead and prepare:** Plan your trip carefully. Prepare for extreme weather, hazards and emergencies. Plan for the least experienced member of your party.
- o **Travel and camp on durable surfaces:** Hike single file in the middle of the trail or side by side in areas without trails. Camp in hardened areas only, not in meadows or on vegetation.
- o **Dispose of waste properly:** Pick up all spilled foods and trash. Disperse washing and cooking wastewater 70 adult steps (200') from camps and all water sources. Leave no evidence of your stay.
- o **Leave what you find:** Leave plants, rocks, antlers and artifacts as you find them for others to enjoy.
- o **Minimize campfire impacts:** Cook with a camp stove. Simply enjoy a candle lantern or the night sky.
- o **Respect Wildlife:** Hang food and scented items 10 feet up and 4 feet out from trunk of tree. Minimize noise. Avoid lakes and streams at dawn and dusk.
- o **Be considerate of other visitors:** Respect the quality of every visitor's experience.

EMERGENCIES: In case of emergency, go to the nearest phone (as located on map) and call 586-1399 or 911. Please remember that patrol cabins are not routinely staffed. Climb to higher elevations to attempt cell phone use.

Site Location: The site is located in a subalpine fir and limber pine forest and is near treeline. Watch for the sign, "Battle Mountain", after crossing the creek, and turn right at the sign. The site is just inside the trees, and is marked by a metal arrowhead. Pitch tent within 15' of post with silver arrowhead to limit impact on surrounding vegetation.

Number of Sites: 1 group site

Distance: 2.8 mi.

Privy: YES

Elevation: 11,000 ft.

Approx. Travel Time: 1 to 2 hrs.

Elevation Change: 1,600 ft.

Water Source: Water is available from the creek fed by the snow field above Jims Grove. Boil or adequately treat all water.

To Reach the Trailhead (TH): The TH is at the Longs Peak Ranger Station. Drive 7 mi. south of Estes Park on CO Hwy 7, and follow the marked side road to the Ranger Station and parking lot. The trail begins beside the station.

